UNITED STATES OF AMERICA POSTAL RATE COMMISSION

POSTAL RATE DRIMINGS ON OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

WASHINGTON, DC

Postal Rate and Fee Changes, 2000

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Docket No. R00-1

AGRICULTURAL PUBLISHERS ASSOCIATION NOTICE OF INTERVENTION AS A LIMITED PARTICIPATOR

The Agricultural Publishers Association (APA) hereby gives Notice of Intervention in Docket No. ROO-1, a proceeding under Section 3624 of Title 39, United States Code, relating to the request of the United States Postal Service for changes in postal rates and fees.

Service of documents and other correspondence may be made upon:

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The Agricultural Publishers Association, Inc., is a non-profit corporation created under the Laws of Illinois. Its membership comprises 15 companies who publish 95 state and regional agricultural magazines, many of which have been providing farming "know how" to rural families for over 100 years.

APA member publishers use all classes of mail, relying upon Periodicals class as the principal means of distribution of their publications, First-Class Mail for business correspondence, billing and statements of account, Standard Mail (A) for promotion and subscription sales, and Standard Mail (B) for distribution of books and educational materials published by APA members. Postage is a significant part of the total cost of the agricultural publishing business and APA has a vital interest in this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served copies of the foregoing document in accordance with Section 12 of the Rules of Practice.

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